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COMMENT OF THE DAY Sagacity At Rome

THAT the Foreign Ministers of the six-nation European Defence Community have been able so quickly to end the deadlock between France and West Germany over the European Army treaty is, indeed, happy news. The Rome conference opened on a disturbing note; it is ending with the prospects of ratification of the EDC treaty by the French and Bonn governments brighter than ever before. This achievement is a tribute to the sagacity of the delegates who discovered and agreed on a masterly compromise regarding the five protocols which France desired to add to the treaty. The substance of the pact remains unchanged with none of the modifications which France seeks being written into it. Presumably, however, the French Government has not wholly conceded its proposition that France be entitled to withdraw troops from the European Army if they are required to serve overseas. The inference is that the European Defence Community delegates have tacitly agreed that future circumstances shall dictate the extent to which the French protocols, which have now become "interpretative", shall be applied. One likely effect of the successful Rome conference will be the rapid ratification by West Germany of the EDC treaty. But M. Mayer and his Cabinet cannot expect an easy time when they place the treaty before the French Parliament. A considerable amount of suspicion concerning the conditions of the pact still exists among Frenchmen, particularly regarding the eventual role which the Germans will be given in the European Army. Moreover the question of the future of the Saar remains, and unless M. Bidault can obtain an agreement based on French terms, it is conceivable that Parliament will resist ratification of the European Army treaty. Nevertheless, some of the dark clouds hanging over the EDC alliance have disappeared in consequence of the amicable arrangement reached at the Rome conference, and the eventual establishment of the European Defence Community can now be optimistically anticipated.

Welcome Proposal
OF the several proposals which the Eisenhower Administration has advanced for dealing with the complex situation in the Far East by far the most attractive is that of associating Britain and France with the working of the Anzus Pacific Pact. The movement shows itself in the suggestion that there should be established a military liaison group, with Britain and France represented in addition to the pact signatories—the United States, Australia and New Zealand. The new body will have only advisory powers, and will not be able to commit any of the Governments involved. Yet, so far as it goes, its formation would be most welcome, more especially for its promise of still closer association to follow. The chief threat to the Far East is expansion by the Chinese Communists; wherefore any defence arrangements for the region are unrealistic which exclude two of the three Powers which are trying to curb that expansion. It is to be hoped that out of the new arrangements will grow a unified and coherent policy, based on balanced commitments and balanced means.

Defrauded Hongkong Customers

Washington, Feb. 25. The government today suspended for two years the export licences of Stanley Finkelstein and his New York firm, Hillard Corporation, for committing export frauds against customers in Hongkong. The Office of International Trade said Finkelstein shipped clay and pigment colours "of little value" to customers who had ordered shipments of higher quality. It said Finkelstein pleaded guilty to the charges in Federal Court. He was fined and given a two-year suspended sentence. He also was fined and given a suspended sentence in New York State Court for similar frauds, the Office added. The suspension applies to any companies in which Finkelstein has a "responsible connection."—United Press.

Move To Deport Mrs Browder

Washington, Feb. 25. The Attorney-General, Mr. Herbert Brownell, today issued a warrant for the arrest for deportation of Mrs. Earl Browder, wife of the former top Communist Party official of the United States. Russian-born Mrs. Browder said at her home tonight: "This is a complete surprise to me." She said her lawyer, the former Assistant United States Attorney-General, Mr. O. John Rogge, would contest the deportation move. "I was never naturalised but I was admitted legally," she said. Mr. Edward J. Shaughnessy, head of the Immigration and Naturalisation Service, said his officers had copies of the warrants and had been sent to arrest Mrs. Browder. He said if she could not find a \$5,000 (£1,780) bail she would be taken to Ellis Island for detention.—Reuter.

Van Fleet's Tribute

San Francisco, Feb. 25. British Commonwealth units of the United Nations forces in Korea are "magnificent," General James A. Van Fleet, the retired Commander of the Eighth Army, said today when he received a hero's welcome here. "The Commonwealth division is one of the best," the General said. It was "very powerful—three magnificent brigades." He then named the British, Australian, New Zealand and Canadian forces and continued: "The United States had no corner in military brainwork or bravery. We have a United Nations team within the Eighth Army which is unprecedented and is a hopeful and concrete indication of the ability of diverse nationalities to fight together for a common cause. 'Militant Communism—Communism by bloodshed—has been dealt with a stunning blow.'"—Reuter.

Grave-Diggers Return To Work

New York, Feb. 25. The seven-week strike of 200 grave-diggers from 40 cemeteries here has been settled. It has caused 601 unburied corpses to accumulate. The settlement gives the men an increase of \$3.25 a week, it was announced.—Reuter.

Russia's Role In The Korean War Revealed

10 ESTABLISHED FACTS LISTED Constant Flow Of Soviet Equipment

United Nations, Feb. 25. Making his "maiden speech" as new permanent United States delegate to the United Nations under the Administration of President Eisenhower, Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge today presented what he called "ten facts which the world should face." "The whole world knows the truth—that, except for the active aid furnished to the North Korean and Chinese Communist aggressors by the Soviet Union, the war in Korea would now be over," declared Mr. Lodge. "Apparently," he added, "the Soviet Union, with its own special brand of magnanimity and generosity, is determined to carry on the war to the last Chinese."

The ten facts Mr. Lodge listed were:
1. Soviet planning instigated the original aggression which was subsequently maintained by Soviet training and equipment.
2. The North Korean forces which were virtually destroyed after the Inchon landing had been reorganised behind the screen of Chinese Communists and had reappeared on the battlefield late in the winter reconstituted and almost completely equipped with weapons of Soviet manufacture.
3. The flow of Soviet equipment was constant and steady, and accounted for the increase of combat effectiveness of the Communists over the past year.
4. The Chinese Communists who entered the fighting with normal light equipment were now fighting with heavy equipment supplied by the Soviet Union.

Mines And Planes

5. Naval mines in large numbers, which had been picked up or washed ashore off the Korean coast were of Soviet manufacture.
6. Planes which the United Nations command had encountered over North Korea were manufactured and supplied by Russia.
7. Recently United Nations forces had encountered a new type of Soviet plane, the IL28, which was not a part of the air forces of the Communist aggressor over North Korea.
8. In spite of heavy losses the Chinese Communists and North Korean air forces had grown until today they had about 2,500 aircraft, of which half were jets, all manufactured and supplied by the Soviet Union.
9. The Soviet Union replaces the Communist aircraft shot down over North Korea. "Our experts estimate that the Soviet Union has contributed in excess of 4,400 planes to fight against the United Nations in Korea."
10. Anti-aircraft guns in North Korea, including many which were radar-controlled, were of Soviet origin.—Reuter.

Eisenhower's Three Conditions For A Meeting With Stalin

Washington, Feb. 25. President Eisenhower today laid down three conditions for a meeting with Mr. Stalin and anybody else if it would do any good. He defined these to a press conference as:

1. That it should be in keeping with what the American people want of their President.
 2. That it should be with full knowledge of United States Allies and friends.
 3. That there should be hope of doing something for peace.
- The press conference took place before President Eisenhower left for a golfing holiday in Georgia. The last time Mr. Eisenhower commented on this subject was shortly after Marshal Stalin stated, in reply to a question, that he would look favourably on diplomatic conversation about the possibility of a meeting with the American President with a view to ending world tension. At last time Mr. Eisenhower authorised a statement to his

Conditional Acceptance Of French Reservations

Rome, Feb. 25. The Foreign Ministers of the five Western European countries agreed conditionally today to accept French reservations which for a time had threatened to disrupt plans for a six-nation European Army.

A committee of experts was named to re-phrase the French reservations in such a way as to preserve essential French goals and, at the same time, allay West German fears and suspicions, a conference source said. France demanded the acceptance of a series of protocols or reservations by the Army treaty. They were designed to preserve the integrity of the French Army and to safeguard France against domination by a re-armed Germany.

A conference spokesman said that a committee to be issued would show that "Europe today is much stronger than yesterday." The French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, paved the way for acceptance when, in a speech, he told Germany and other countries—Italy, Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg—that France was sincere in wanting to speed up the ratification of the Army treaty and did not seek to change it basically.

RAY OF LIGHT

As a result, the informant said, the other Ministers agreed that the French protocols would not require special ratification if they were confined to interpreting the Army pact without changing its basis. M. Bidault's speech on the closing day of the two-day conference was described by a fellow Minister as a ray of light which had pushed aside the clouds of pessimism over the European Defence Community project. M. Bidault assured his colleagues that the French Government would push for early parliamentary ratification of the Army pact on the basis of today's agreement. With the threatened crisis over and the Army agreement turned to the French-German dispute over the Saar coal region, France wants a solution of the future of this rich little territory before she ratifies the Army pact. M. Bidault and the German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, will confer here on Thursday on the Saar issue.—United Press.

THE "LAST CHANCE"

Tehran, Feb. 25. The semi-official newspaper Bakhsh Emrouz declared today that the United States and Britain were being given their last chance to accept Iranian counter proposals on the oil dispute. The evening newspaper, organ of Premier Mohammed Mossadegh's National Front, said that if the Anglo-Americans failed to agree to the counter proposals Iran would "wash her hands once and for all of attempts to solve the problem and will evolve an economy that can get along without income from oil." The publication, which earlier this week described the latest Anglo-American proposals as unacceptable, did not say whether the Iranian counter proposals were new or were the same the two powers had refused to accept last year.—United Press.

Quake Recorded

New York, Feb. 25. A sharp earthquake tremor in the Alaskan peninsula, 3,700 miles northwest of here, was recorded today by the Columbia University seismograph (at 2125 GMT).—Reuter.

OPENING OF PARLIAMENT



Chinese Reds Offer Aid

Burmese Troops Reply "No"

Rangoon, Feb. 25. The Communist garrison at Yunnan, South-west China, have offered Burmese troops help to fight Chinese Nationalist guerrillas on the frontier areas, a Burmese Army source said here today.

Colonel Chit Myaing, Burma's Commander at Lashio on the Burma Road, was understood to have rejected the offer stating such help would not be needed.

Communist troops at Wundwin, a frontier outpost in Yunnan, fired at a group of Chinese Nationalists who sniped at Burmese troops from the jungle on the ill-defined Sino-Burma frontier along the Shweli River. The Communists have strengthened their defences in Wanting to prevent Nationalists crossing the frontier and entering Yunnan, these sources added.

OUTPOST RETAKEN

A Burmese armoured column from the Central Burma town of Mandalay has recaptured Kyaukok, frontier outpost on the Burma Road, seized by Chinese Nationalists a few days ago, the War Office announced here today.

Kyaukok, overlooking the Communist outpost at Wanting across the border, changed hands three times in seven days. The Nationalist flag has been pulled down and the Burma Union flag is now fluttering on the frontier post.

The War Office said the armoured column had relieved pressure on the slender garrisons at Muse, Kukul and Namkhan and other nearby frontier posts which were now under the Army's effective control.

All roadblocks laid by the Nationalists had been removed and the column was guarding a 120-mile stretch from Lashio in the upper Shan states right up to the Kyaukok outpost.—Reuter.

Commandos In Action

Salgon, Feb. 25. Three hundred French Marine Commandos made a raid at dawn on Monday under the protection of four French warships at Thanh Hoa, the principal Vietminh base in Tonkin at the southern edge of the Red River delta, the French said today.

A communiqué said the Commandos re-embarked the same day after destroying important military installations. During a series of encounters the Vietminh lost 34 men and gave up 20 prisoners. The only French losses reported were two non-commissioned officers wounded.

Eight guns, grenades, munitions and documents were seized. The landing was made at Samson on the Gulf of Tonkin, 12 miles east of Thanh Hoa.—Associated Press.

The President of India, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, arrives in State for the opening of the Third Session of Parliament in New Delhi.—London Express.

MAU MAU ARRESTED

Nairobi, Feb. 25. A Kikuyu named Walewa, who was to be called by the defence to give evidence on behalf of Jomo Kenyatta and five other African leaders on trial at Kapenguria, was arrested at a Mau Mau meeting in his Nairobi home last night, police headquarters reported tonight.

The police said two African policemen arrested five people at the meeting at which between 150 and 200 Kikuyus were present.

The police shot dead two Africans administering the Mau Mau oath in the Fort Hall district today, after an informer reported an oath-taking ceremony was being held for Kikuyus who had recently taken the government's anti-Mau Mau cleansing oath.—Reuter.

108 MURDERED

London, Feb. 25. Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, Colonial Secretary, said today that 97 Africans, eight Europeans and three Asiatics had been murdered in Kenya since the declaration of the emergency last October.

Mr. Lyttelton, who was replying to questions in the House of Commons, added that 161 Africans had been killed and 161 seriously wounded in operations by the security forces.—Reuter.

EGYPT HAS NEW IDEA

Cairo, Feb. 25. A high Egyptian source said on Wednesday the Egyptian authorities are considering use of the Arab collective security pact to fill the military vacuum which would be caused by withdrawal of British troops from the Suez Canal zone.

In this concept the seven Arab League nations would form a Middle East defence force independent of any Western command or Western troops. Though purely Arab, the informant said in an interview, the organisation "might have some sort of a link with the West" for the supply of arms and equipment.

The informant said the question of Israel's participation in any sort of Middle East defence organisation will be ignored for the time being. "All parties concerned" he said, "recognise this question would aggravate old wounds and would not be acceptable to the Arabs."

He said the matter might be raised in a "second phase" after the Arabs have received sufficient arms and equipment to assure them of self-protection. "In the event of Israeli aggression,"—Associated Press.

Reds Aircraft Losses

Washington, Feb. 25. Communist aircraft losses since the start of the Korean conflict to February 20 total 1,753, the American Defence Department said today. The total includes 768 planes destroyed, 136 probably destroyed and 853 damaged. United Nations losses number 884, the Department said.—Reuter.



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Proposals For Liberalising Trade In Far East Advanced At Manila

PLAN FOR A PAYMENTS UNION

BALKANS TREATY SIGNED

Athens, Feb. 25.

A Treaty of Friendship between Greece, Turkey and Yugoslavia was initiated here today following negotiations between the Foreign Ministers of the three countries.

The treaty is to be formally signed next Friday in Ankara. While the text has not yet been made public, it was understood that the treaty contained a preamble stressing that it was of a purely defensive nature and came within the framework of the United Nations Charter.

It was also provided that the treaty would be open to all.

The main features were cultural and economic since the military features were drafted in very vague terms, contrary to the reported desire of Yugoslavia.

In this connection, it was understood that Yugoslavia constituted the chief obstacle in drafting the treaty's military provisions because one of the objectives sought had been to integrate Yugoslavia into the Western defence system with its NATO members—Greece and Turkey.

The present treaty failed to solve this problem and observers believed a real military pact would be necessary to achieve this purpose unless Yugoslavia joined NATO which does not seem likely for the time being.

France-Press.

Likes Aly Very Much

London, Feb. 25.

Hollywood movie star Gene Tierney flew into London today and declared she likes Prince Aly Khan very much.

The Prince is a former husband of Rita Hayworth. Gene arrived from France, where she has been visiting friends since September, to start work at Britain's Pinewood Studios on a new picture.

Asked by reporters about rumours that she has been seeing a lot of the Prince recently, she said: "But of course I see a lot of him. I am a single girl and I go out with a lot of men. I like him very much."—Associated Press.

100,000—1 Chance

Newark, N.J., Feb. 25.

A cow here produced three healthy calves, despite odds of 100,000 to one against triplets.

Asian countries today advanced six proposals to ease commercial difficulties as the trade promotion meeting of the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East ended its third session of the current conference.

The proposals were put forward by Thailand, Japan, India and Indo-China in a lively debate of Committee "B" under the chairmanship of the delegate from Malaya and British North Borneo, Mr P. G. Yap.

Thailand proposed that a system of price stabilisation be adopted in order to stimulate production in the ECAFE region. The plan was strongly supported by France.

Japan urged the establishment of a payments agreement among the various countries to overcome currency problems. Indonesia proposed the establishment of a free rubber market open for anyone who wants to buy.

India proposed barter agreements, an Asian payments union and lower ocean freight rates.

Thailand's Luang Tavil Strephanicharn said that in seeking price stabilisation, minimum and maximum levels could be fixed in which prices might be allowed to fluctuate.

It had been done largely in the case of rice and there was no reason why it could not be done in the case of other commodities.

What was needed, he said, was an agreement between sellers and buyers.

FREE COMPETITION

Japan's Noboru Kinokugi said that a multilateral payments arrangement would promote trade by removing obstacles created by the "inconvertibility of currencies."

He called for the submission to the ECAFE Secretariat of data on foreign trade by all delegations so that a survey could be undertaken.

Indonesia's Tusher Ibrahim called attention to the importance of rubber to Indonesian economy and branded fluctuation in rubber prices as a hindrance to trade.

There are not enough dollars.

There is no reason why commodities cannot be exchanged if payments in currencies are difficult. It is up to individual countries to get together. Payment difficulties are hindering trade.

PAYMENTS UNION

Mr Cleetus then advocated an "Asian Payments Union" which would co-operate with payment unions in other parts of the world. He said that this called for a pool of certain currencies by the countries of one region for the purpose of making payments.

The British delegate, Mr A. E. Percival, took issue with Mr Cleetus' advocacy of barter agreements. He defended the price system and said that barter agreements "sap away at the foundation of the system which we all know to be the best."

Barter agreements had discriminatory aspects which were against the system of fair play in international trade.

Mr Cleetus then proposed the lowering of ocean freight rates which, he said, had been rising steadily in recent years. "High ocean freight rates," he said, "have hindered the movement of goods between areas. European countries and Japan, for instance, are screaming for scrap. There is plenty of scrap in this region but shipping costs are too high and it is no longer profitable to handle scrap."

He urged that the plan be considered by ECAFE with a view to seeking the reduction of shipping rates. —United Press.

Egyptian Pact With E. Germany

Cairo, Feb. 25.

Egypt and East Germany tonight agreed on the exchange of \$4,000,000 worth of goods. A spokesman of the East German trade delegation said the two countries would sign a trade pact on Saturday.

The question of payment was the last obstacle in the fortnight-long talks.

The spokesman refused to give any further details pending the formal signing of the pact.

An Egyptian Foreign Office source confirmed that agreement had been reached.

Under the terms of the agreement, Egypt will send East Germany cotton, manganese ore and phosphates in exchange for fertilisers, agricultural machinery, printing machines and card board.

Last year's trade between Egypt and East Germany was worth \$2,500,000 (about £250,000). —Reuters.

FUTURE OF WAR CRIMINALS

Canberra, Feb. 25.

The future of Japanese war criminals serving sentences on Manus Island is under consideration by the Australian Government, the Prime Minister, Mr Robert Menzies, told the House of Representatives today.

He was replying to a question about recent Japanese statements that all war criminals there would be sent back to Japan this year whether they had completed their sentences or not. —Reuters.

Unique Gift For Queen

Palermo, Sicily, Feb. 25.

Sicilian peasant craftsmen are working on a Coronation present for Queen Elizabeth—a 33-foot hand-carved Sicilian fishing smack, which will sail to England with a cargo of gifts for the Royal Family.

The smack, called "San of Sicily", has a Paladino as its figurehead and will be equipped with motor and sail.

She will sail up the Thames in June when her Italian (treasure) and Sicilian (treasure) flags will be flown and a Union Jack flown at the mast—Reuters.

Asks Lifting Of Barriers

Tokyo, Feb. 25.

Japan has started talks with India and Australia to relax import restrictions on Japanese goods, the Foreign Office said through its spokesman, Mr Mitsuo Tanaka, today.

Japan has already made such a request to Britain but she has not yet received any reply.

Mr Tanaka told a Press conference that similar requests would soon be made to Pakistan and later to New Zealand.

The Japanese Government blames import restrictions of sterling countries for starting the down-trend in Japanese exports last July. —United Press.

To Admit Libya?

Cairo, Feb. 25.

The Cairo newspaper Al-Ahram said today that the Arab States had agreed to admit the new kingdom of Libya into the Arab League.

It quoted Mr Naguib El Hawi, Iraqi Ambassador here, as saying: "Libya is a new state and it is our duty to admit it."

—Reuters.

Pyrrhic Victory For The West In Iraq?

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In the January elections, however, Salah Jabr, leader of the dissolved National Socialist Party and former Prime Minister, was a good example. In the past, Salah Jabr has been friendly to the West. When he was Prime Minister in 1948, he signed the Portsmouth Treaty with Ernest Bevin, revising the Anglo-Iraqi treaty. He has been labelled "pro-American."

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A wave of public clamour for reform has swept Iraq in recent months, and IPC revenues give the Government a chance to provide them. A Board of Economic Development has been set up to invest oil revenues.

With immense natural resources, ample capital and sparse population, Iraq seems to have all the answers to its economic problems. Many Western observers regard this country as the Arab world's first line of defence against Communism.

On the political level things also look good for the West. Nuri Es Said favours revision—but not abrogation—of the Anglo-Iraqi treaty of 1930, which permits Britain to keep air bases in the country. So long as Nuri Es Said remains in power, Iraq will lead a willing ear to regional defence plans if Egypt and other Arab States agree.

THE OTHER SIDE

On the other side of the coin things don't look so bright. The pro-Western majority of the new Parliament was elected while martial law was in force, after political parties had been dissolved and practically all party newspapers had been suppressed. Socialist Kamal Chaderchil, leader of the National Democratic Union, was released from prison only three days before the election. Supporters of the dissolved opposition parties entered only limited lists of candidates.

A potentially progressive group of Iraq political leaders feel they were not given a chance to succeed through democratic processes. The net result may be to force these groups into more extreme positions against the Government.

Flowers For Captain

The wife of the Iranian Ambassador to Rome shown presenting a bouquet of flowers to Captain Amilcar Mazzeo, commander of the oil tanker Miricella which delivered a consignment of oil from Abadan to Venice. The cargo was impounded by order of the Venice Tribunal on application from the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company pending a decision on its ownership. —Express Photo.

NAVAL WAR GAMES A TEST FOR MOUNTBATTEN

First Exercises Under A Unified Command

(By HAROLD GUARD)

Malta, Feb. 25.

NATO's first unified Mediterranean exercise—"Operation Rendezvous"—will be held under Admiral Lord Mountbatten's command late in March, starting what will be an interesting experiment in the co-operation of Allied navies.

Admiral Mountbatten's leadership will be under close watch by many nations.

There is parallel here to the situation in the last war when Admiral Mountbatten became Commander in South-East Asia and clashed with American ideas of strategy.

At that time he flew to Ottawa and promised the late President Roosevelt that he would be a "good American."

That clash might come again, for Admiral Mountbatten got his new NATO Mediterranean command only after much pulling and pushing regarding the command, which went against Admiral Robert Corney, who now has almost a rival base at Naples and whose Sixth Fleet is actually independent of Admiral Mountbatten.

Americans put first priority on employing the Mediterranean as an operating theatre for carrier capable of striking atomic blows in the Balkans, Middle East and south-western Russia.

Britain sees the primary job to be one of defending "lifelines" to the Middle East and Asia.

WORKING SMOOTHLY

But American Commander W. D. Bonvillian, Chief Officer of the United States Naval Air Squadron, here is working closely and smoothly with the British.

Malta's Air Officer Commanding, Air Vice-Marshal B. V. Reynolds, said that thus far Britain's technique of decentralising the command system and giving each NATO country command of an individual defence zone had been accepted by all the participants.

Watching with considerable uneasiness this new prominence thrust on Malta are its people.

There is widespread feeling that if Malta must again become a defence fortress it should be included in the mutual security pact programmes which the United States is extending to NATO members.

SPANISH BASES

Last year, when it appeared likely that the NATO Mediterranean Command would be American, there was belief that the island would get dollar aid.

Inventors To Give Show

Brussels, Feb. 25.

Some 500 inventors from 11 different countries will present their brainwaves at the second international inventors' show here.

Taking part will be representatives of France, Britain, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Morocco, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Belgian Congo, Spain and Belgium.

Record man of the exhibition will be a German inventor who intends to present at least 50 different inventions. France will be represented by 150 inventions, amongst them the latest quality available sound production.

The show will be open between March 6 and 15 at the Brussels Palais d'Exposition. —Associated Press.

POINT FOUR DISCUSSION

New Delhi, Feb. 25.

Twenty top American Point Four Air officers from six Asian countries will meet in Agartala tomorrow to discuss the working of the American Technical Aid Programme in Asia.

They are experts responsible for working of the aid programme in India, Pakistan, Burma, Indonesia, Afghanistan and Nepal.

Afterwards they will attend a conference in Bangalore, South India, with 10 aid officials from Washington at which the whole range of Point Four Aid problems in Asia will be discussed. —Reuters.

A British Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Disfigured (6).
- 5 Endures (5).
- 6 Musical note (6).
- 8 Sell (6).
- 10 Protrusion (5).
- 11 Famous composer (6).
- 12 Way out (4).
- 13 Reposes (5).
- 14 Makes effervescent (6).
- 16 Ship (6).
- 20 Dances (5).
- 22 Zone (4).
- 23 Flung (5).
- 25 Strikes an attitude (5).
- 26 Annoy (6).
- 27 Conditions (5).
- 28 Encounters (5).
- 29 Garden tools (6).

DOWN

- 1 Killer (6).
- 2 Get back (6).
- 3 Oriental ruler (4).
- 4 Swells (7).
- 5 General (7).
- 6 Charm (6).
- 7 Trust (5).
- 14 Chase (6).
- 15 Breaks completely (8).
- 16 Helps (7).
- 17 Softens (7).
- 18 Most senior (6).
- 19 Run away (5).
- 21 Run away (5).
- 24 Ooze (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Asks, 7 Clump, 8 Alms, 9 Snap, 10 Agitate, 12 Sags, 15 Avenue, 16 Steep, 19 Irate, 21 Sheer, 23 Prey, 25 Speed, 26 Data, 29 Ensured, 30 Blas, 31 Bill, 32 Sopra, 33 Else, Down: 1 Flagg, 2 Imitate, 4 Sincere, 5 Saps, 6 Gang, 9 Stow, 11 Avers, 13 Away, 14 Speed, 16 Sires, 17 Used, 18 Sent, 20 Reduces, 22 Pens, 24 Feels, 25 Peril, 27 Acid, 28 Able.



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A wave of public clamour for reform has swept Iraq in recent months, and IPC revenues give the Government a chance to provide them. A Board of Economic Development has been set up to invest oil revenues.

With immense natural resources, ample capital and sparse population, Iraq seems to have all the answers to its economic problems. Many Western observers regard this country as the Arab world's first line of defence against Communism.

On the political level things also look good for the West. Nuri Es Said favours revision—but not abrogation—of the Anglo-Iraqi treaty of 1930, which permits Britain to keep air bases in the country. So long as Nuri Es Said remains in power, Iraq will lead a willing ear to regional defence plans if Egypt and other Arab States agree.

THE OTHER SIDE

On the other side of the coin things don't look so bright. The pro-Western majority of the new Parliament was elected while martial law was in force, after political parties had been dissolved and practically all party newspapers had been suppressed. Socialist Kamal Chaderchil, leader of the National Democratic Union, was released from prison only three days before the election. Supporters of the dissolved opposition parties entered only limited lists of candidates.

A potentially progressive group of Iraq political leaders feel they were not given a chance to succeed through democratic processes. The net result may be to force these groups into more extreme positions against the Government.

NAVAL WAR GAMES A TEST FOR MOUNTBATTEN

First Exercises Under A Unified Command

(By HAROLD GUARD)

Malta, Feb. 25.

NATO's first unified Mediterranean exercise—"Operation Rendezvous"—will be held under Admiral Lord Mountbatten's command late in March, starting what will be an interesting experiment in the co-operation of Allied navies.

Admiral Mountbatten's leadership will be under close watch by many nations.

There is parallel here to the situation in the last war when Admiral Mountbatten became Commander in South-East Asia and clashed with American ideas of strategy.

At that time he flew to Ottawa and promised the late President Roosevelt that he would be a "good American."

That clash might come again, for Admiral Mountbatten got his new NATO Mediterranean command only after much pulling and pushing regarding the command, which went against Admiral Robert Corney, who now has almost a rival base at Naples and whose Sixth Fleet is actually independent of Admiral Mountbatten.

Americans put first priority on employing the Mediterranean as an operating theatre for carrier capable of striking atomic blows in the Balkans, Middle East and south-western Russia.

Britain sees the primary job to be one of defending "lifelines" to the Middle East and Asia.

WORKING SMOOTHLY

But American Commander W. D. Bonvillian, Chief Officer of the United States Naval Air Squadron, here is working closely and smoothly with the British.

Malta's Air Officer Commanding, Air Vice-Marshal B. V. Reynolds, said that thus far Britain's technique of decentralising the command system and giving each NATO country command of an individual defence zone had been accepted by all the participants.

Watching with considerable uneasiness this new prominence thrust on Malta are its people.

There is widespread feeling that if Malta must again become a defence fortress it should be included in the mutual security pact programmes which the United States is extending to NATO members.

SPANISH BASES

Last year, when it appeared likely that the NATO Mediterranean Command would be American, there was belief that the island would get dollar aid.

Inventors To Give Show

Brussels, Feb. 25.

Some 500 inventors from 11 different countries will present their brainwaves at the second international inventors' show here.

Taking part will be representatives of France, Britain, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Morocco, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Belgian Congo, Spain and Belgium.

Record man of the exhibition will be a German inventor who intends to present at least 50 different inventions. France will be represented by 150 inventions, amongst them the latest quality available sound production.

The show will be open between March 6 and 15 at the Brussels Palais d'Exposition. —Associated Press.

POINT FOUR DISCUSSION

New Delhi, Feb. 25.

Twenty top American Point Four Air officers from six Asian countries will meet in Agartala tomorrow to discuss the working of the American Technical Aid Programme in Asia.

They are experts responsible for working of the aid programme in India, Pakistan, Burma, Indonesia, Afghanistan and Nepal.

Afterwards they will attend a conference in Bangalore, South India, with 10 aid officials from Washington at which the whole range of Point Four Aid problems in Asia will be discussed. —Reuters.

A British Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Disfigured (6).
- 5 Endures (5).
- 6 Musical note (6).
- 8 Sell (6).
- 10 Protrusion (5).
- 11 Famous composer (6).
- 12 Way out (4).
- 13 Reposes (5).
- 14 Makes effervescent (6).
- 16 Ship (6).
- 20 Dances (5).
- 22 Zone (4).
- 23 Flung (5).
- 25 Strikes an attitude (5).
- 26 Annoy (6).
- 27 Conditions (5).
- 28 Encounters (5).
- 29 Garden tools (6).

DOWN

- 1 Killer (6).
- 2 Get back (6).
- 3 Oriental ruler (4).
- 4 Swells (7).
- 5 General (7).
- 6 Charm (6).
- 7 Trust (5).
- 14 Chase (6).
- 15 Breaks completely (8).
- 16 Helps (7).
- 17 Softens (7).
- 18 Most senior (6).
- 19 Run away (5).
- 21 Run away (5).
- 24 Ooze (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Asks, 7 Clump, 8 Alms, 9 Snap, 10 Agitate, 12 Sags, 15 Avenue, 16 Steep, 19 Irate, 21 Sheer, 23 Prey, 25 Speed, 26 Data, 29 Ensured, 30 Blas, 31 Bill, 32 Sopra, 33 Else, Down: 1 Flagg, 2 Imitate, 4 Sincere, 5 Saps, 6 Gang, 9 Stow, 11 Avers, 13 Away, 14 Speed, 16 Sires, 17 Used, 18 Sent, 20 Reduces, 22 Pens, 24 Feels, 25 Peril, 27 Acid, 28 Able.

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His Secretary Still Calls Him Mr President, but

I'M Mr TRUMAN NOW

—Says the Gentle Man in Room 1,107

I HAVE been calling on Mr Harry Truman to pay my respects and have a talk.

Most people said the ex-President of the United States was difficult to see, determined to rest, and still holding blood-curdling views on many newspapers and newspapermen. Nothing of the sort.

I wrote to Mr Truman from New York and received a charming reply. Then, when I got here, I telephoned to his secretary. She said: "Would you like to see Mr Truman today?" I said: "Today, tomorrow, any time to suit him."

So it was arranged and I went along to the Federal Reserve Bank here, a huge modern building, to room 1,107. There were no guards, no Secret Service men, and the office is pretty modest.

The appointment was for ten in the morning and I arrived at two minutes to the hour. Exactly on ten the secretary said: "Mr Truman will see you now," and in I went.

Dapper figure

THE man who was President rose from a small desk, shook hands, and said: "It's nice to see you."

He looked thinner than in his pictures. His eyes were bright and penetrating behind his thick glasses. He was dapper, in a grey suit, white shirt, and blue striped tie. He looked, indeed, like a successful Kansas City business man.

I thought here is the man who up to a few weeks ago exercised the most power of anyone in the world, the person who made the decision to drop the first atomic bomb, the President of the United States, for almost eight turbulent years.

Mr Truman began to talk about the Truman Library and Cultural Centre. "That is my great interest," he said. "We have raised three-quarters of the funds now. It's going well—here are some of the papers and documents."

He patted a thick folder on his desk and said: "There's a mountain of material—you see that building over there?" He went to the window and said: "That's the Jackson County court house where I started—we've got lots of papers stored there too."

He was happy, enthusiastic, easy to listen to and to talk to (not that I got many words in). "I'm working on this library most of the time," said Mr Truman. "Do you want to see the photograph?"

Place in history

HE pushed towards me two pictures of low-lying buildings—models of the Truman Library. "Pretty nice, eh?"

Then he went on: "The Truman Library is going to be at Grand View, about five miles from here. I owned the land, but have given it to the Government. It is now the main highway, so folks will be able to drop in and see the documents and papers and have a look at the record."

DON IDDON'S
DIARYKansas City
Tuesday

I had the impression that Mr Truman was conscious of his place in history not in an egotistical sense but with a sense of pride and achievement.

"Centuries from now," I said, "they'll be going through your papers." Mr Truman nodded, and I thought I might switch the subject to the Russian threat, the recent election, or the first actions of the new Eisenhower Administration; but the ex-President was not having any. He said: "Then there are all my papers when I was Senator. It's quite a job sorting them all out."

His tribute

HE asked me about the "Curators" and then said: "What a gracious, wonderful, lovely Queen you have. You know, when she came to Washington I think she was a little nervous; but she soon knew she was among friends, and everyone loved her. We are great friends, our two countries. Queen Elizabeth is a most wonderful person—she certainly enchanted Mrs. Truman, Margaret, and myself, and everybody."

I told Mr Truman that he was looking very fit and he replied: "Well, I'm keeping busy; but, of course, there are lots of things I can't do. I'm not going to do anything that would reflect on the office of the President. The fact that I hold that position must not be exploited. I'm Mr Truman now."

Yet the habit of years was so strong that every time his secretary, Miss Rose Donnelly, came in she would call Mr Truman "Mr President" and twice I found myself calling him that too until I corrected myself and stuck to "Sir" throughout the talk.

No politics

WE discussed nothing controversial—not once was Eisenhower mentioned, though I struggled to manoeuvre the talk on to politics. It was a businesslike, brisk conversation, totally different from the chat I had with Mr Churchill in Jamaica. There were no cigars, no cigarettes, and no refreshments. I have seen Mr Truman many times, but only at public appearances, but at Press conferences. This was a close-up and I had the strongest impression of a warm, generous, sincere, loyal person—a truly gentle man.

Mr Truman has an enormous hand — the outer office was crammed with letters.

Every day the offers pour in; he could pick and choose among a dozen jobs at \$100,000 (about \$35,000 a year). He could not do that, but he is not interested in \$1,000,000 — he is interested in his library. He has realigned himself to life as a private citizen swiftly and smoothly. Often he walks through the streets of bustling Kansas City unrecognized, but at home in Independence, Missouri, about half an hour's

gazing out at Jackson City court house, where it all began.

I left after that; but was asked back an hour later to talk over some small point that Mr Truman wanted to make quite clear.

There is no doubt that he is happy to be back home among his own lot. He is passionately devoted to the Middle West. He told me proudly: "The Truman Library will be right in the heartland, almost the dead centre of the country — and the heart is warm."

These people are generous, vigorous, prosperous, strong, and broad-shouldered. They have a fine town in Kansas City.

Can be happy

THE place has been labelled as the headquarters of the "Bulldog Barons," as a gangster-ridden cow-town, gaudy and bawdy.

There are some gangsters and there is, perhaps, too much neon glare and strident noise, but the city has beauty and vivid colour.

There are the soaring skyscrapers, in violent contrast to the flat plains and rich farmland. There are the magnificently planned residential sections, the fine hotels and the big, teeming stores, the superb station, the rolling back, the fine food, the brightly girls, and the satisfying Bourbon. A man can be very happy here. The people of Kansas City are. Harry Truman is.

DIGGING UP SECRETS
OF LONDON'S PAST

by John Waterman

WILLIAM FRANCIS GRIMES does not look like a sleuth; in well-pressed pin-stripes, with brushed-back greying hair, his lean figure more resembles a Victorian politician in a cartoon by Spy. Yet Grimes is applying detective methods to solve a mystery—the mystery of London's past.

Grimes is the 47-year-old Keeper of the London Museum in Kensington Palace. In a green-walled room above the museum he works on the clues. This is his problem: no one knows what happened in London in the centuries immediately after the Roman legions left in the fifth century A.D. The following two hundred years or so are a complete blank.

IN FLEET STREET

Some historians say that during those two centuries London was left completely deserted with its Roman temples, shops and market place crumbling into ruins. Others say the city was occupied by Teutonic bands of invaders. But London to be found outside the old Roman walled city, which was situated farther up the hill towards St Paul's.

The bones are important, part of Grimes's investigations, search possible. The bones from

cleared away the bricks, mortar and bits-a-brace of nineteen centuries of human life on the spot. Since 1947 Grimes has been excavating among the woods and rubble of the bomb-sites.

His latest search is among the foundations of the bombed church of St Bride's, Fleet Street. His workmen pick began to dig up the floor of the ruined nave nearly a year ago. St Bride's—built by Wren after the Great Fire of 1666—had been destroyed on earlier church on the site—was destroyed, all but the walls and spire, in the Nazi fire-raids of 1940.

Grimes started by looking for a crypt which was suspected to be underneath the nave. He found it — and much more besides.

Traces of three earlier churches on the site (one of them probably 1,000 years old) have been uncovered. A vast series of underground vaults, the existence of which was not suspected have been broken into. They were found to be charnel-houses—dumplings-grounds for bones many centuries old. Most remarkable of all the remains of a Roman building have been unearthed. It is the first known Roman building in this part of London to be found outside the old Roman walled city, which was situated farther up the hill towards St Paul's.

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CONCLUDING "THE NAZI REVIVAL"

What The Average German Thinks

By ANTONY TERRY

A CARTOON in West Germany's leading picture paper shows a puzzled Uncle Sam watching a Punch and Judy show being run by John Bull and France from behind the scenes.

Instead of Punch and Judy the puppets are Nazi dolls, brown-shirted and with swastikas on their arms, or German steel-helmeted soldiers. The notice on the front of the booth reads "Sensational Nazi Show—Entrance for Dollars only."

To Germans this cartoon exactly expresses their view of the present situation. Britain and France, they think, are exploiting a non-existent Nazi menace in order to further their own ends and to extract concessions from the U.S. Germany is the innocent victim of their machinations.

Does the average German really believe this? Or is he deceiving himself? Certainly he has been told so often and so loudly by his leaders that he is the oppressed victim of cunning Britain and U.S., that he is now really coming to believe it.

No opportunity is missed by local politicians in plugging the line that poor Germany is surrounded by greedy and ruthless neighbours, who only refrain from gobbling her up because they need her soldiers to fight the Russians.

UNANIMOUS

On this issue all main political parties are unanimous. Public thought is channelled along the same line. Scarcely ever does the average German stop out of line in his opinions.

What does he really think about Britain, about the outside world, about the Nazis? Here Schmidt believes that the last war was lost by Germany because Britain and the U.S., instead of joining forces with Hitler against Russia, betrayed the Germans by fighting against them. He believes that it is a crying shame that Britain and the U.S. are still holding any war criminals, since all of them are innocent victims of Allied vengeance against defeated enemies.

He believes that the concentration camps were largely an invention of British and U.S. war propaganda, and that after the war we treated the Nazis in our internment camps as badly as the Nazis treated their victims under Hitler. He refuses to believe that German troops murdered hundreds of French and Allied civilians.

He believes that Britain is deliberately plotting to prevent Germany becoming powerful as a trading nation again, and is stealing her markets by foul and dishonestly methods. He believes that Allied talk about giving Germany back her freedom and her independence is just a lot of hot air. The ar-

rest of the Nazis by Britain a few weeks ago proves, he says, that we never mean to give the Germans back power in their own country.

The presence of Allied troops in Germany has always been a bone of contention in the German mind—especially when he has to contribute to their upkeep. Schmidt does not stop to think that this is only a fraction of the sums other countries have to spend on defence.

He believes that Britain, the U.S. and France mean to get Germans to join a European army, and then fight the next war over West Germany to prevent the Russians reaching France and the Channel coast, using German troops as "cannon fodder."

Meanwhile, France is stealing "German" coal from the Saar and Britain is using her worldwide connections to do Germany out of foreign trade in the Near and Far East.

PIPE-DREAM

Mr Average German believes that Germany could be the most powerful nation in Europe today if it were not for the Communists, and evilous John Bull. Sometimes, a little overwhelmed by his injustices and the terrible way he is being treated by Britain and other countries he wonders out loud: "Wouldn't it just serve them right if Germany turned her back on them and teamed up with Russia?"

He knows this is just a pipe-dream, for not even Germans believe any good could come out of joining the much-hated Communists, but the idea is nice to toy with when one's grievances get too much for one.

Where does all this clever and convincing propaganda come from? No one knows. It runs like a persistent stain through all West German newspapers, radio commentaries, newsreels and books. The Nazis find it fits neatly into their approach—the need for a strong, forceful method to "tell the Allies where they go off."

This makes it very hard for Dr Adenauer not to use the twist-the-lion's-tail method, too. His Socialist opponents lose no opportunity of attacking him for being "soft" with Britain, America and France if he lets up for a moment in the grievance campaign.

GRIEVANCES

Nevertheless, the 77-year-old Chancellor told Germans he believed British action in punishing the Nazis was "fully justified." Few Germans expected to hear this—in fact they instantly blamed Dr Adenauer for "giving way" to the British point of view.

Talking to the average German in his beer house and you will find a genuine sense of injustice and a feeling that he is being ill-treated. Compared with before the war he is quieter and less arrogant in talking to foreigners. He recognises that he cannot afford to throw his weight about just as he pleases—yet.

Furthermore, the more respectable German realises that without British and U.S. aid he would be the first victim of a Communist pounce from the East. For this reason he is willing to join a European defence community, providing that all his grievances are put right first.

It is a human failing to blame others for the more one has got oneself into. But the average German takes it a little far when he blames Britain and the U.S. for the fact that Stalin's armies are beyond the Elbe and for the fact that we have not started a new war to get the Soviet zone back from the Reds.

TRUMP CARD

Despite Russia's unpopularity, Stalin has a trump card he could play at any time it suits him—the reunification of Germany. If he ever agrees to sweep away the artificial Iron Curtain which at present divides Germany from north to south, it would swing millions of Germans into the pro-Soviet camp, despite their genuine fears of Communism.

That is the subtle bait which Russia holds out—the hope of a "fourth Reich"—and the bait is laid through the Nazis, whom the Soviets hope will one day be their Trojan Horse to open the way to Communism in Germany.

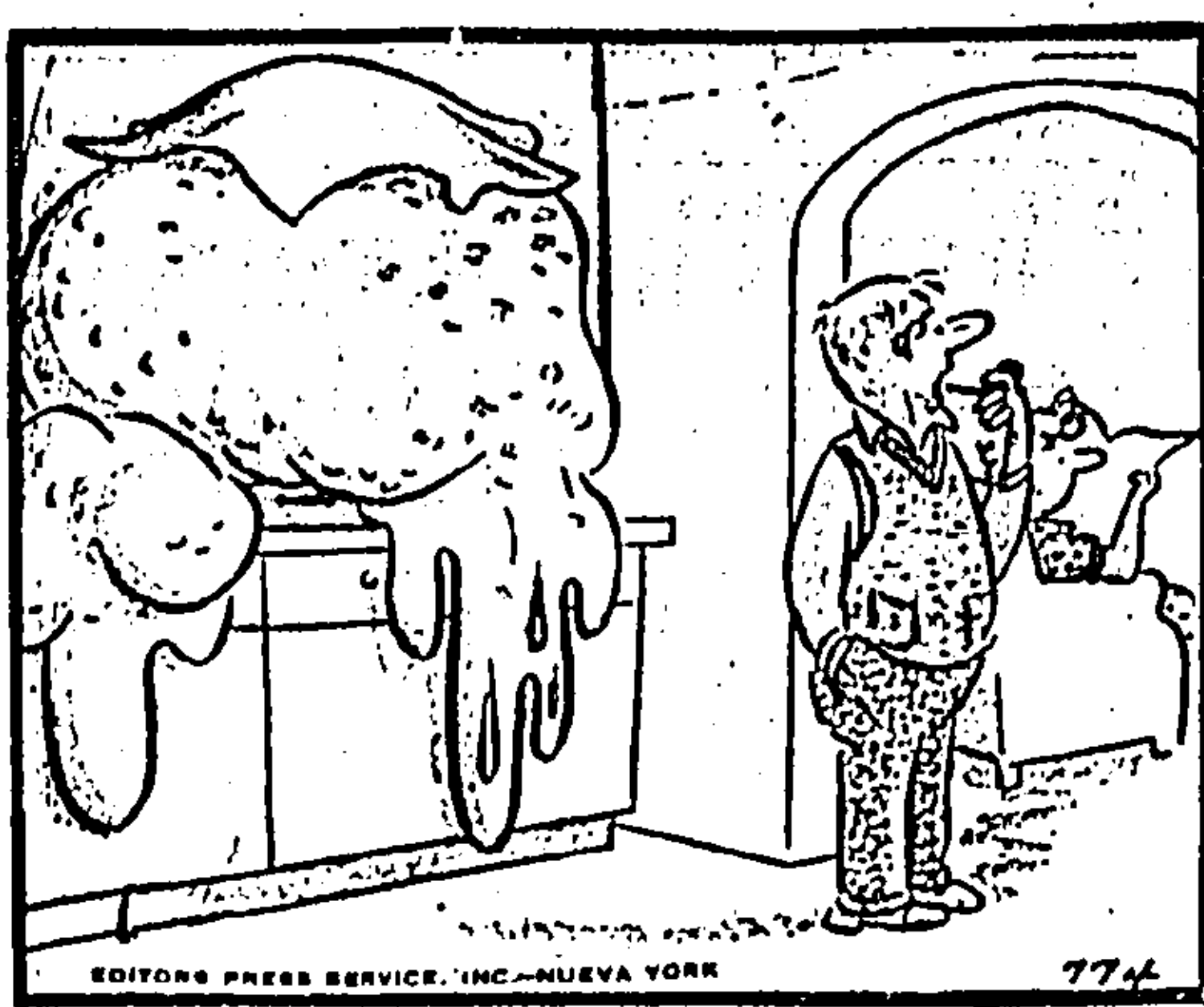
Against this tempting morsel the Western Powers have only real freedom and democracy to offer—and a chance for Germany to work her passage to the same as everyone else is doing. It's not a very exciting prospect.

That is why the average German, and even the younger workmenfolk, are secretly longing for a return of the "good old days"—the marching feet, the excitement of the feeling that one is "going somewhere." All it needs is a "Führer" to show the way. But the time for him has not yet arrived.

THE GAP

At the moment the gap in London's history has not yet been bridged. But during the last five years more has been uncovered than in 50 years before the war.

The work is rewarding and very satisfying," says Grimes, "if you have the patience to go through a lot of drudgery." The work must be done before the City is rebuilt. Grimes usually hears in advance when any building is about to begin. Then he has to excavate immediately.



"Your biscuit dough, dear—should it dominate the kitchen this way?"

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

XIRIGOU! If the meteorological people foretold the weather by hepatoscopy, or divined it by Babylonian astrology, or calculated it by clairvoyance they could produce no more fantastic results.

I might be living on some unexplored planet for all they can divulge of the weather in any part of the country. Any old countryman, by using his eyes and his experience, can foretell the weather pretty accurately. But those who sit peering at little instruments are still called the experts. Wind variable on high ground. Fog, hail, rain, sleet, or snow in place.

The triumph of Suet (VII)

THE situation was tangled. The various people who were bringing the secret police to get hold of Suet's documents were all convinced that Karkis was double-crossing them on behalf of someone else. Suet, who had fled into Karkis's pockets, but there were no results. Suet's room was ransacked again and again. It was suspected that a bill, round in a waistcoat pocket, from a bakery, was Suet's. Others worked on a diary in a diary; Henderson for lunch, with Dalrymple-Holborn Restaurant. Nothing came to light, and

the time for Suet's visit to the Minister drew near. Meanwhile, in a backstreet near the Admiralty, way-laid him in the lounge. All he said was, "Excuse me. You've lost part of your suit. When the suit is on your arm, he said, 'What's that? It's a crumb on my sleeve,' he said. 'It's dust in your eye!' And when she said bluntly, 'Have you ever kissed a woman?' Suet replied, 'Yes. A fat, red-haired girl under the station at Three Bridges. She asked me in.'

A pungent lyric

THE Minister of Education has described the delights of escaping from the official jargon of a Government department to the reading of poetry. Let her beware of counting her poetry before she has lost it. What about this lyric from Mr. Robert Blyth's "The Earth Maiden"?

What scallard shall compute
The soul's nutritional intake
O moon in spogee, flabby flower?
But when stars are in short supply
And the first of the month is
In heavy with priority question-
naires,
The outburst of Death
Is empty of all but shadows,
Each marked "Passed to you,
please."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... BYSTELLA

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26

BORN today, your intuitions are more than ordinarily keen and you seem to sense things long before they happen. You are quick to size up a person or to make a decision when a problem presents itself. You may not tell others what you have decided right away, but when the time comes to act, you are able to do so quickly and decisively and without hesitation. This makes you a good person to have around during times of crisis.

Your greatest talent, probably lies in the field of literature and you have a sense of the dramatic which should make you good at plotting. You have a strong personality and that is likely to come out in your writing. You should achieve a fame which is lasting. Still and all, you are somewhat shy when you first meet people and cannot understand why you always appear to get into

the middle of things when you never go out of your way to make social contacts. Learn to understand that this is your magnetic personality.

There is considerable magnetism in your makeup and you will probably have several romances before you settle down and decide upon one partner for life. Wed someone who understands your rather complex personality or there can be friction in your domestic life. Let your heart tell you which one to wed. You can always trust your intuitions. If there is any slightest doubt about a person, let the warning before it is too late.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Don't hide your timidity under a boastful mask. It won't fool others—and you know it's a bluff.

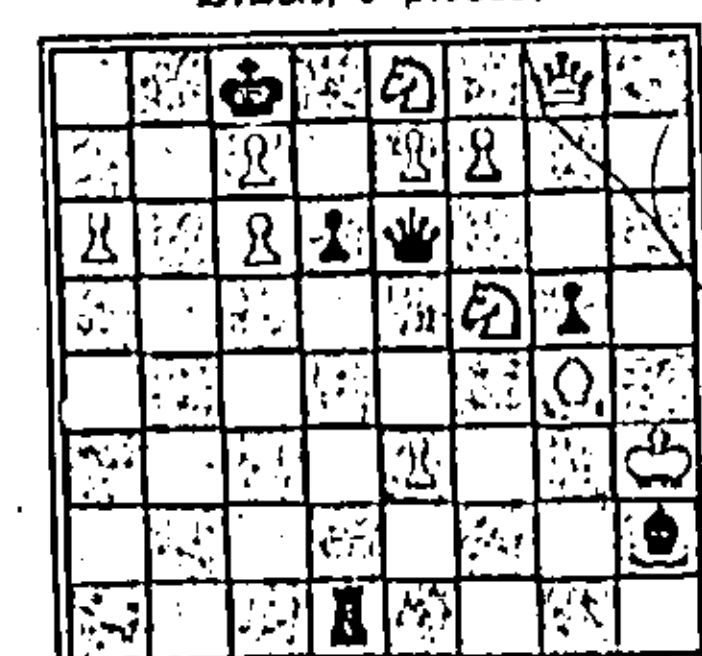
ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Utilize your evening for some serious study or investigation of a matter which needs settling.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Your magnetic personality can get you something that you didn't think you could have.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Hobbies and stay-at-home activities are highly favoured at this time. The family can be fun!

CHESS PROBLEM

By D. HELLER
Black, 6 pieces.



White, 11 pieces.
White to play: mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. B-K6; threat, 2. Kt-KP.
2. R-QB4; 2. R-KP (ch);
3. R-R4; 2. B-K4.

DUMB-BELLS



CANCER (June 22-July 23)—You could make a contract or an agreement today which can promise well for your future prospects.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Build your savings right now and later on you will have the chance to get what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Impulsiveness is deplored today. Solve all problems without emotional responses. Be calm.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—If asked to help a Church or neighborhood charity, be prepared to co-operate to the fullest extent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Find the one who can make the best possible use of the talents you have to offer on a job.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 24-Dec. 23)—If making domestic changes, you may need the advice of an expert. Be sure to get it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 24-Jan. 20)—Be neighbourly for a new acquaintance. You will easily become a life-long friend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—A good evening for entertaining friends in your own home. You can give, as well as receive, pleasure.

INTELLIGENCE TEST

Handsome offer by Sharpwits

by T. O. HARE

"WOULD either of you ladies like mild gambles?" asked Sharpwits. He was waiting with Miss Dimple and Mrs. Large for a fourth at a bridge table.

"What sort of a bet?" asked Miss Dimple.

"Sharpwits took from a pack of cards, four of each suit, shuffled his 16 cards; then he dealt them to Mrs. Large to be cut. 'I'll deal you three cards each,' he said. 'And I'll lay odds that neither of you will get three cards which either of you gets being all cards of the same suit, or all alternatingly against their being all three different suits.'"

"That's odd," said Mrs. Large.

"Thirty to one," said Sharpwits, "against all three cards being of the same suit, three being against all three being of different suits."

Which is the more advantageous offer from the punter's point of view?

(Solution on Page 10)

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Can You Spot Error That Lost Contract?

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN today's hand was played, South found an easy way to lose his game contract. It was so easy, in fact, that South still doesn't know that he could (and should) have made the game.

Just for the fun of it see if you can discover where South went wrong in the play of today's hand. Who can tell you might hold this type of hand the next time you play bridge?

South won the first trick in dummy with the ace of spades and drew three rounds of trumps. He then led

NORTH (D)			
♠	A75	♥	QJ4
♦	Q3	♣	AK743
WEST			
♠	KQ1094	♥	852
♦	86	♣	QJ32
♠	AQ72	♥	AK1098
♦	106	♣	QJ9
EAST			
♠	852	♥	AK1097
♦	QJ4	♣	852
South-South vul.			
North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead—♠K

a low club from his hand and ducked completely in the dummy.

East won with the nine of clubs and West unkind enough to return the jack of diamonds. The defender therefore took three diamonds in a club, and a spade, defeating the contract before South could get well started.

Have you spotted South's error? If not, look at the hand closely and find the correct line of play before you read on.

South was on the right track until he played the first card from dummy. Then, unfortunately, he went wrong.

The correct play is to let West hold the first trick with the king of spades. Then, when South leads the best defence, dummy wins with the king of clubs, and South enters his hand with the ace of hearts in order to lead the jack of spades. West naturally plays the queen of spades, and dummy plays low again.

West leads another club, still trying to get the lead to his partner, and dummy rises to take the trick with the ace of clubs. The ace of hearts is now in South's hand, and South discards his last club. Now declarer can ruff a club with a high trump, draw trumps ending in the dummy, and run two established clubs to discard two low diamonds from his own hand.

The whole idea of the hand is to establish dummy's clubs without allowing East to gain the lead. The method is to give West an undeserved spade trick in order to rob East of a "natural" club trick. Fair exchange is no robbery.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:

South West North East

1 Heart Pass 1 Spade Pass

You, South, hold: Spades A-2, Hearts A-K-Q-J-9-3-2, Diamonds A-K-8-5. What do you do?

A—Hold four hearts. You want to get the lead to your partner's sort of hand, even without counting up your points. You are sure of heart tricks, and the red suit there should be excellent chances to win two tricks in the black suits with very little help from your partner's suit.

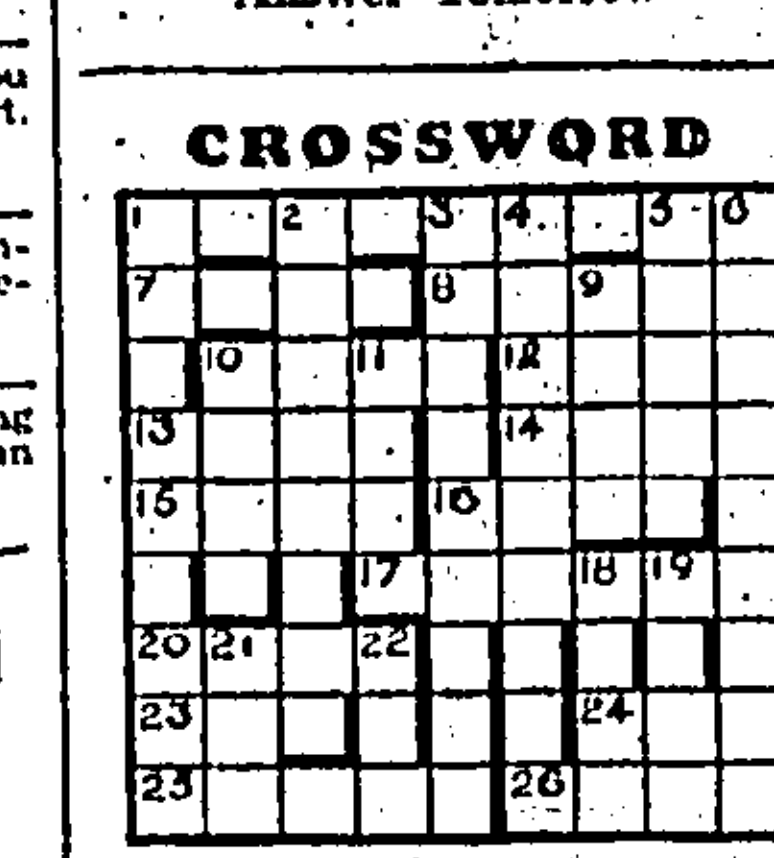
It would be a mistake to "invite" a spade, since the red suit might have to decline the invitation on the sort of hand that will easily produce a game.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-2, Hearts A-K-Q-J-9-3-2, Diamonds A-K-8-5. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CROSSWORD



Across

1. A true sign, on the letter

2. Reputedly mad—no, not a

3. A cover is proved far

4. A word is proved far

5. She arrives from Iran. (6)

6. Look to the north-east for

7. Hop producer? (8)

8. Upset the four. (9)

9. Change three-quarters of 7. (3)

10. By way of? (5)

11. Land depression. (6)

Down

1. She rattled (anag.). (9)

2. Vegetable. (7)

3. A word is proved far

4. A word is proved far

5. A word is proved far

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11. A word is proved far

WOMANSENSE

Do women get a square deal in the restaurants?

IN MAYFAIR—YES. IN THE CITY—WELL, HARDLY...

THE woman lunching in Mayfair restaurants gets a better deal in service and helpings than the office girl in City cafes.

I made a snap check among girls who eat in the City. It showed that portions served to women are nearly always smaller than those given to men.

Many girls complained that men get better service, even if they leave the same tip.

One waitress confessed that she had "favourites" among her men customers. She said she found men clients more faithful. Once they start lunching regularly they never change. But women like variety.

THE BILL

Although women give much smaller tips than men in the luxury restaurants, women still seem to get good service.

A head waiter told me: "There's always an added pleasure about serving two attractive ladies, and I give them a good table where they can be seen."

No difference in portions occurs in Mayfair, but women tend to eat less. Few potatoes and desserts," said one restaurateur. "It's men who have the sweet tooth now."

Average bill for two men lunching together is about £3 10s. For two women it is rarely more than 30s.

Six maitres d'hôtel agree that men's bills are seldom more when entertaining the opposite sex. Men like to impress their business colleagues these days



even more than their girl friends.

BLouses WIN

A BLOUSE was once something you wore under a suit.

Today it is a fashion in its own right, elegant enough to team with a skirt by day, pretty enough to go dancing in at night.

Paris blouses are now being made in England and you will see them in the shops early in March. The first nine

PARTY BLOUSES FROM PARIS:

On the left, coral silk organza over a taffeta bodice, strapless bodice, worn with the new sleek black tights. Right: romantic white organza embroidered with black.

models have been chosen from the Maggy Rouff collection and they will be replaced every three months.

They have lost none of their French charm in the Channel crossing and they will be sold in a combination of French and American sizes.

Sheradski has sketched two of the most romantic numbers. On the left, coral silk organza, started into a V-neckline with huge lantern sleeves, worn over a strapless bodice of taffeta.

The second model takes six yards of white organza embroidered with black.

HAPPY FEET

FEET will be gay this spring-time with coloured shoes called after the royal castles Windsor (blue) Holyrood

(Yellow), Glamis (purple) and Buckingham (wine).

There is also a new pink shade, christened rose dew, soft metallic patens named opal (a pale gun-metal) and copper, which has a pink copper tone.

Elizabethan brocade designs from the Victoria and Albert Museum have been used by the royal shoemaker for evening slippers. The brocades have luxurious matching shoe-socks and are combined with gold kid.

At the King's Cross factory where a pair of shoes may be made by hand for the Queen in 24 hours on a special occasion, the trend is towards feather-weight styles for spring. Many have a medium heel, more comfortable to wear for fashion events like Ascot when there is much walking or standing.

Other fashion pointers are asymmetrical slingback straps, topstitch and sapphire jewel ornaments for cocktail slippers, and an ultra-smart shape with a short pointed toe and square vamp, which has a slightly medieval look.

Coming back into popularity are bowlers for "City wear," and fur-collared overcoats.

Dark grey worsted will be first choice for men's suits, and there is a new Regency blue, which is softer and slightly lighter in tone than navy. Tailors forecast its success for spring.

One old favourite may climb back into this year's list of well-dressed men: Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden. His smart appearance since his marriage has won praise from the tailors.

CIGAR WOMEN

A GUEST at a big wedding among smokers. Mrs. E. C. Bowyer, wife of the director of the Society of British Aircraft Constructors, smoked a small cigar at the reception.

Tobaccoists tell me that cigar-smoking among women is no rarity, but they prefer the smaller sizes. Few women have taken to pipes, but cheroot-smoking is becoming more popular particularly at home or at private parties.

Cigar fanciers include the Maharajah of Baroda, Mrs. Tony Hancock, the comedian's wife, writer Emily Hahn, and actress Rosamund Burde.

Pipes are coming back into fashion. The trade says that men find them economical and soothing. In a City-bound morning train today every third male smoker chose a pipe.

SMART MEN

WHO will be the best-dressed men of Coronation year? Last year's nominees by the male fashion Press included Sir Malcolm Sargent, Cecil Beaton, Earl Alexander, Douglas Fairbanks, John Mills and Terence Rattigan. Advance information on this year's list reveals that several of these will lose their place of honour.

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

A Most Difficult Question

—Where Do the Lights Go When You Put Them Out?—

By MAX TRELL

"I WONDER," Hanid, the shadow-girl with the turned-about name, was saying to her brother Knarf, "where the lights go when you put them out?"

"Why, they just go out," said Knarf. "Everybody knows that!"

But Hanid shook her head. "They must go out somewhere. Where do they go?"

It was at this moment that Willy Toad came along.

"Hi!" said Willy. "What are you both looking so worried about? Is there anything I can do?"

"Yes, there is, Willy," said Hanid. "Where do the lights go when you put them out?"

Willy looked surprised. "Is that what's worrying you?" he exclaimed. "I wouldn't let a little thing like that bother me. Now you'd like to know where lights go when you put them out?"

"That's right, Willy."

"I know exactly," said Willy. "They go where the sound of a bell goes when it stops ringing."

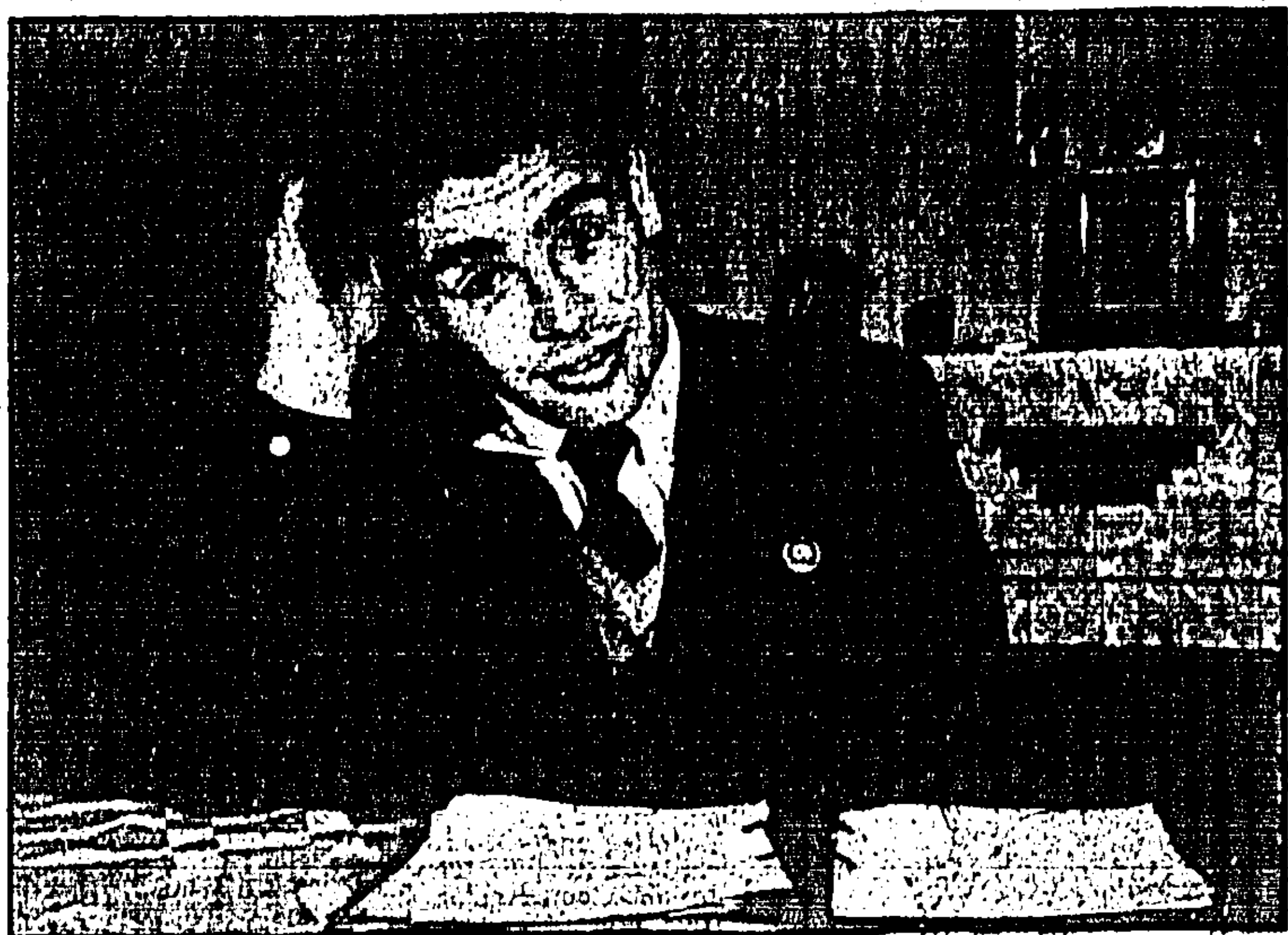
"But where does the sound of a bell go when it stops ringing, Willy?" asked Hanid, who didn't think Willy's answer helped much.

"It goes... it goes... pardon me," he said hastily. "I just forgot I'm in a hurry." And he hopped off.

Here Knarf spied a little old man coming down the road. He was carrying a lantern. The lantern was lit. "Good evening," he said.

"Sir," said Knarf to the little old man with the lit lantern, "where does the light go when you put it out?"

The little old man frowned and smiled and said: "It goes up to the moon. Only I'm not sure."



With no cheering crowds to urge him on, and no team-mates to help him, soccer star Spector again becomes school-boy Spector as he studies for his exams. Express Photo.

THE DEREK DOOLEY TRAGEDY—A GREAT LOSS TO SOCCER

By TOM FINNEY

Preston. The tragedy of Derek Dooley, Sheffield Wednesday's bustling centre-forward, has cast a shadow over the Soccer world. The whole sad drama of the fight to save his life was fought in Preston.

At Deepdale the previous Saturday, Derek, bubbling over with energy and exuberance, collided with George Thompson, our goalkeeper, as the pair went to a loose ball. The incident was just one of a hundred which come in every game—until the giant forward fell awkwardly.

The consequences of the next few days were almost as terrible as the pre-war accidents which resulted in the deaths of two goalkeepers, Jimmy Thorpe of Sunderland and Celtic's Johnnie Thomson.

The game can ill afford to lose young Derek who, at 23, was one of its dynamic personalities. No one, I suppose, has burst on the Soccer scene in the fashion of this Sheffield lad last season. Brought into Wednesday's attack when they were an ordinary mid-table side, the red-haired Dooley scored 46 goals in 30 League games to transform them into a force which strode into the First Division with two points to spare.

NEW TOMMY LAWTON Dooley was sometimes slated as crude, clumsy and rough. That was hard on a youngster who came straight out of the mould of the old-fashioned centre-forward. He was, I am certain, destined to be an even greater leader than his 53 goals in roughly a season indicated.

SEASON'S ACCIDENTS

Some famous names are included in the list. One need go no further back than Willie Hall, Tottenham Hotspur inside-forward who in 1930, hit five successive goals for England against Ireland at Old Trafford.

Willie, now in business in London, lost both his legs as the result of a knock in the service of the game he loved.

Ted Drake, now manager of Chelsea, was another. The old Arsenal leader, rugged and tough, was put out of the game through a back injury at Reading—where later he became manager. Yes, the list is a long one.

This season there have been several such cases. Allan Moller, one of Hull City's most promising youngsters, is one. The ligaments of a damaged knee failed to yield to the surgeon's knife and he now compensates himself with a little scouting for the Second Division club.

At Newcastle Johnny Duncan, defender who was considered to have a bright future, was the victim of a knee injury which finally beat even his brave spirit.

Duncan launched out afresh as a "keeper" after his knee broke down again this season. But now he too has applied for the insurance money which spells "finis" to an active career.

SMALL COMPENSATION

What is the compensation in terms of pounds, shillings and pence for a loss of this description? It is not great. Each member of the Players' Union is insured automatically for £200. On top of that the club is allowed to pay the accrued share of benefit which may be anything up to £750.

But, after that, it is a matter of discretion for the club and Football League. The Jubilee Fund, administered by the League here in Preston, makes a donation depending upon the circumstances of each case.

Then, too, the club can help. The wealthier frequently keep a player on their pay-roll until he finds some other occupation. Sheffield Wednesday did this with Eddie Kilshaw, £20,000 winger whose knee broke down soon after he joined them from Bury.

The club can also apply to the League for permission to organise a benefit match. That gives us fellow-players the chance to help. A match of this description might raise some £5,000. But, despite all this, there can be no real compensation for a lad unfortunate enough to lose the most priceless of all assets—his freedom of the sports field.

THE WORLD HAS CHANGED FOR 18-YEAR-OLD MILES SPECTOR

The world has changed for 18-year-old Hendon grammar school-boy Miles Spector. Three weeks ago he was just another schoolboy, sytting for examinations. Today he is the talk of Britain's sporting public.

Seldom has any footballer had a quicker rise to fame. He jumped straight from Chelsea's third team to the side which played First Division leaders West Bromwich Albion in the fourth round FA Cup match. And, within 11 days of his debut, he had made five appearances for the first team, four of them in the Cup.

Chelsea have now been knocked out of the competition. In the fifth round, playing their fourth game in eight days, the exhausted eleven crashed 4-0 to Birmingham. Their efforts in beating West Bromwich, however, will long be remembered, and those of Miles Spector in particular.

NO EASY THING

Originally, the Fourth Round draw looked an easy thing for West Brom. It is true they were drawn away, but they were sitting on top of the First Division, whilst their opponents were second from bottom. Even after being held to a draw, they

looked more-than-likely winners of the replay, staged on their own ground.

But once more Chelsea held them and also in the next replay, at Villa Park, came the fourth meeting, at Ighbury. There was no score at half time and it seemed that a fifth match would be necessary.

Then the Chelsea attack turned on the heat. Playing textbook soccer, they amassed in four second half goals, three of which were laid on by young Spector.

In the tense cup-tie atmosphere, he displayed the assurance of a veteran. Never trying to do too much on his own, but always ready to do his share, he played the perfect team game. He passed accurately, and held the ball until a colleague was in a good position to receive it. In fact his coolness set an example to his more experienced team-mates.

CLERICAL ERROR

Yet it was only through a clerical error that Miles played for Chelsea at all. When he was 15 he received an answer from the club accepting his application for a trial. It was an application he had never made. But he decided to go along and take the chance.

That decision has brought him more fame at 18 than many players achieve in a lifetime. How does he receive all this publicity? With the same calmness that he displays on the field, although he is a little amazed.

He says, "I like playing in the First Division, but I'd like more privacy too. Why, people even ask me for my autograph!"

Miles has no intention of making football a career. "It's too insecure," he asserts. He is studying to become a jet plane engineer, and hopes to go to Oxford or Cambridge in October to take a science degree.

Indeed, he was taking a University entrance examination the day after he had helped Chelsea to their four-goal victory over West Brom. And while the rest of the team, too tired to celebrate, went home to bed,

Hongkong Girls

Lose To Taiwan

Taipei, Feb. 26. The Wah Hung Girls basketball team, representing Hongkong, lost the first of a three-game series of interport matches against Taiwan by 22 to 27 tonight at the Armed Forces Stadium, before a capacity crowd of some 8,000 spectators in one of the most thrilling games ever played here.

Taiwan opened the scoring, and the first half proceeded at a fast pace, with the visitors holding on 11 to 10 lead at half-time.

In the second half, the host team grabbed a lead which they never relinquished to the end of the game. Hongkong's efforts to even the count failed for poor shooting. —France-Press.

H.K. ARCHERY CLUB ELECTS COMMITTEE

The following have been elected members of the Hongkong Archery Club Committee:

Mr. John G. Root (Chairman); Miss Babes Arcull (Vice-Chairman); Lt-Col. S. L. A. Carter (Hon. Secretary); Mr. R. A. Vooper (Hon. Treasurer); Mr. K. Vivian (Target Captain); Mr. J. R. D. Field (Asst Target Captain); Mrs. M. Martin (Lady Paramount); Mrs. J. Thackeray (Asst Lady Paramount); Mr. Philip Au (Public Relations Officer); Mr. K. K. Wang (Social Member); Mr. H. St. Martin (Equipment Member).

Ip In Semi-final

Saigon, Feb. 25. Hongkong's champion, Ip Koon-hung, entered the semi-final of the Vietnam International Tennis Championships by winning over Vietnam's Tich, 6-2, 7-5. —France-Press.

YOUNGEST EVER



A picture received from Australia of 17-year-old Ian Craig, the youngest Australian player ever to be chosen for a touring side. He is picked for the tour of England.—Central Press Photo.

A Possible £1,600 Worth Of Challenge Matches For Golfer Eric Brown

Meet a real golfing character with a possible £1,600 worth of challenge matches looming up ahead of him. He is Eric Brown the Hartsbourne professional and winner of last year's £2,000 Penfold Tournament.

Here is a summary of the possible matches:

- (1) Brown and John Panton have been backed for £500 against Arthur Lees and Harry Westman.
- (2) Irishmen Fred Daly and Harry Bradshaw are reported to be ready to meet the winners for a further £500.
- (3) Arthur Lees has challenged Brown for £250 a side, probably on February 27.
- (4) Max Faulkner wants to play the winner for £250.
- (5) Brown is ready to meet Ken Bousfield for £100 a side if the Coombe Hill player will extend the challenge he has given to Ryder Cup men.

Asked why he thought the challenges were coming his way, Brown replied: "I figure, without meaning to be boastful, that probably I am the best golfer in the country in my age group."

He is 23 this month. Self-disciplined and shrewd, Brown resembles the tough U.S. players in their efforts to win.

"THE TRUTH HURTS"

He says: "Some people think I am too outspoken. But when I give an opinion I am firmly convinced I am speaking the truth. Sometimes the truth hurts."

Brown says he was disliked by the professionals for not splitting the first and second prizes when he reached the final of the Penfold tournament last year with Ayton.

His reply: "In any sport there is one winner. I play for first prize. If I get second I am happy to receive it. I take defeat and do not mean about the caddy and the course. It is my own fault if I do not win."

Brown realises he has been a controversial figure but affirms "my attitude may not always have been in the best taste. I shall try to alter it to suit my fellow professionals and the golfing public."

"IT'S STUPID"

His reaction to the challenge matches he sums up thus: "It is stupid. I shall have been beaten by better golfers. But I am going out to win. To be beaten before you start is stupid. It feels like I can win—if luck is shared."

"During the Masters tournament at More last year John Panton and I discussed playing Daly and Bradshaw. It was more

or less arranged that we play in the spring. If it can be arranged I shall be happy to play. "I shall put up some of my own money and the Hartsbourne members will support me." One thing is certain. British

professionals are going to need plenty of match-play practice if they are to win the Ryder cup from the Americans. With people like Brown around they should not lack opportunity. —(London Express Service)

Teenagers' Year In Australian Sport

By GORDON TAIT

Sydney, Feb. 25.

Teenagers have been making donkeys out of the oldsters in Australian big sport this year. The boys and the girls have been shining in tennis, swimming, track events and cricket.

Nobody seems to know exactly why these youngsters of 16, 17, and 18 are sending the old men of 23, 24, and 25 into easy chairs.

Maybe the race is becoming stronger physically.

Another reason is that the Aussie train the promising youngsters early.

Here are some of the things the teenagers have done. America's two 18-year-old tennis girls, Maureen Connolly and Julie Sampson, are up the top of the list.

Maureen won the National and three other Singles titles, beating Julie in each final. Together they won the four Doubles titles.

HELPED THEMSELVES

Australia's two 18-year-olds, Ken Rosewall and Lewis Hood, helped themselves to the top men's tennis plums with the departure of Frank Sedgman and Ken McGregor to the professional ranks.

Ken, a slim little boy, won the National title, putting out America's Vic Seixas on the way. He and Hood won the National Doubles title.

In Swimming, Australia has a 17-year-old boy named Jon Henricks. He now holds three National records: 45 yards in 28.3 seconds; 100 yards in 52 seconds; and 100 metres in 59 seconds.

John McCormack, 16, of Melbourne beat all the others in the 100 yards race.

Rugger Results

London, Feb. 25. Rugby Union results: Devonport Services 23, Royal Naval Engineering College 0. The Army's Civil Service 11, played at Aldershot. United Bank 16, Surrey 4. Reuter.

Third Test Drawn At Port Of Spain

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Feb. 25.

The third Test match between India and the West Indies ended in a draw today.

The final scores were: India—270 and 362 for seven declared. West Indies—315 and 193 for two.

A draw was a foregone conclusion when Hazare declared after Mankad was run out 28 minutes after lunch.

The West Indies was then faced with the almost impossible task of scoring 327 at over 100 runs an hour if they were to win.

The West Indies still lead in the series through their win in the Second Test. The First Test was also drawn.

RECORD PARTNERSHIP India's big second innings score was mainly due to a 153-run stand between Mankad and Apte—the highest partnership yet made on this tour.

Apte carried his bat through the 587 minutes of the innings. His 163 not out included 14 fours.

Falgaudau began the West Indies second knock brightly when he cover-drove Pindkar

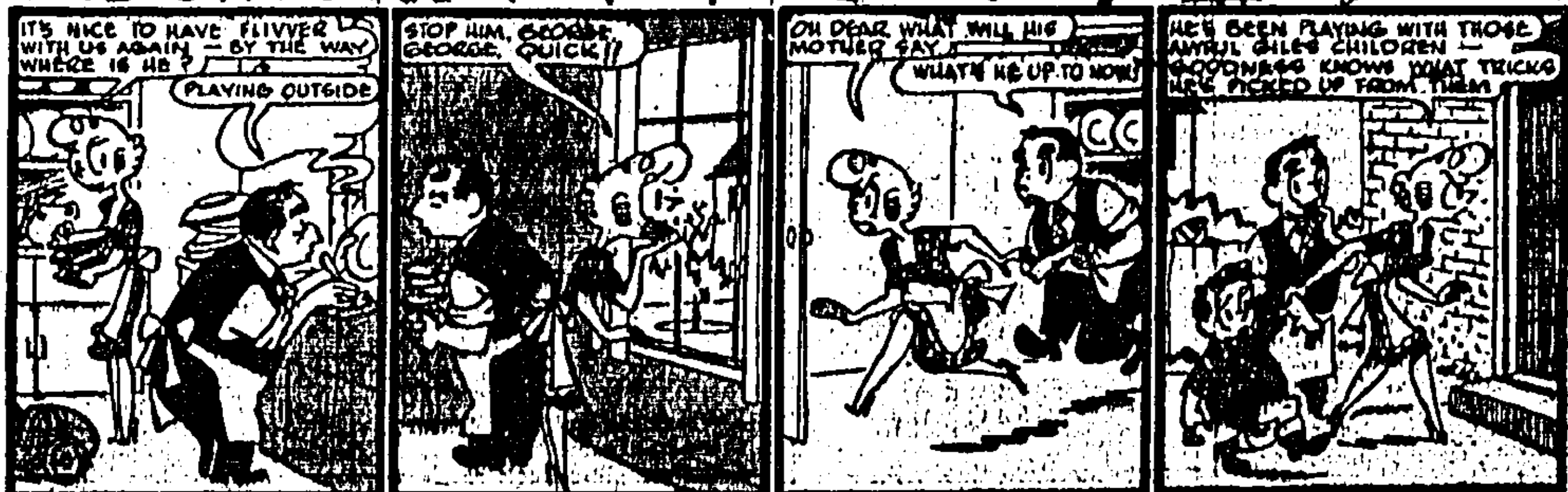
and Ramchand for fours. When the spinners Guple and Ghoshade took over he was batting freely and sent Ghoshade to the boundary with a square cut.

But in trying to cover-drive Guple he mistimed the shot and gave an easy catch to Ghoshade.

Worrell straight drove Guple for two to raise the 50 in 64 minutes, while Stollmeyer straight drove and hooked Ghoshade for two fours in one over.

There was never a chance of an outright decision, however, and when Ramchand relieved Ghoshade for the last over before tea he made Worrell snick the first delivery behind the stumps for a catch and the interval was taken with 65 runs on the board for the loss of two wickets.—Reuter.

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"SHENGKING"	Keelung	3 p.m. 4th Mar.
"FOYANG"	Singapore & Penang	10 a.m. 8th Mar.
"HANYANG"	Dangkok	10 a.m. 9th Mar.
"YUHOV"	Djakarta, Semarang, Sourabaya & Macassar	10 a.m. 10th Mar.
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	3 p.m. 11th Mar.
"HUNAN"	Tientsin	10 a.m. 13th Mar.
"YUNNAN"	Shanghai	10 a.m. 15th Mar.

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"SZECHUEN"	Bangkok	27/28th Feb.
"SHENGKING"	Keelung	7 a.m. 2nd Mar.
"FAHIO"	Singapore	2nd Mar.
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"TAIPEI"	Australia & Manila	28th Feb.
"TAIYUAN"	Australia & Manila	10th Mar.
"TAIPEI"	Japan	21st Mar.

BLUE FUNNEL LINE

Scheduled Sailings to Europe via Aden & Port Said.

Sails	Arrives
"TELEUS"	14th Mar.
"MENTON"	24th Mar.
"ANTILCHUS"	27th Mar.
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Sails	Arrives
G. "ALCINOUS"	1st Mar.
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S. "AUTOLYCUS"	27th Mar.
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"HAINAN"	20th Mar.

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"BENALDER"	Direct to Singapore, thence Liverpool, Glasgow, Rotterdam and Hull. 23rd Mar.
"BENLAVERS"	Direct to Singapore, thence Havre, London, Rotterdam and Antwerp. 7th Apr.
"BENCLEUCH"	Direct to Singapore, thence Genoa, Liverpool, Glasgow and Hamburg. 7th Apr.
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Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders

NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the registered office of the Company situate at GOLDEN CITY THEATRE BUILDING Nos. 77/78 Gloucester Road Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong on Thursday the 19th day of March 1953 at 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon when the subjoined resolutions will be proposed as Special Resolutions:—

1. That the Shareholders do confirm the Agreement for Sale and Purchase dated the 17th day of February 1953 entered into by the Company as the Vendor of the one part and Chan Chung Shing as the Purchaser of the other part and hold themselves bound by each and every term therein contained.

2. That to carry out the terms of the aforementioned Agreement for Sale and Purchase, the Shareholders do authorise any two of the Permanent Directors and the Chairman of the Board of Directors to execute on behalf of the Company the necessary Deed of Assignment and for such purpose to affix the Common Seal of the Company and sign their signatures thereon.

Copies of the said Agreement for Sale and Purchase have been lodged with the Company's Solicitors, Messrs. Lau, Chan and Ko of Prince's Building, Ice House Street Victoria aforesaid and the same may be inspected at any time during office hours.

Dated the 26th day of February, 1953.
(Sd.) Bertram But Yerk Chiu, Chairman of the Board of Directors.

NOTICE

ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY OF HONG KONG

Annual Dinner and Dance
The Society's Annual Dinner and Dance will be held in the Peninsula Hotel on St. Patrick's Eve, Monday, 16th March, 1953.

A circular giving full details has been sent to members, but in the event of non-delivery, members are requested to apply to the Hon. Secretary, for further copies.

Early application for invitations should be made as numbers will strictly be limited. All application must reach the Hon. Secretary before the 10th March, 1953.

All Irishmen and women and persons of Irish Association not yet members are cordially invited to join the Society. Membership application forms may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

M. P. KEYES,
Hon. Secretary,
P. O. Box 615.

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of subscribers to the United Israel Appeal will take place at the Jewish Recreation Club on Wednesday the 4th March at 6.00 p.m.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Damage cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10th Wharf from 10 a.m. on February 27 and 28, 1953, and consignees are requested to have their representatives present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, February 26, 1953.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees per DARDER-WILHELMSEN LINE

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co's godown where it will be at consignees risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godown for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on the 27th February, 1953.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 28th February, 1953, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underwriters, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on Monday, 2nd March, 1953, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1953.

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"CARTHAGE"	8th February	2nd April
"CORFU"	1st April	4th May
"CANTON"	30th April	1st June
Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore		
Homewards	Leaves Hongkong	Due London
"CANTON"	12th March	13th April
"CARTHAGE"	6th April	6th May
"CORFU"	6th May	6th June
"CANTON"	6th June	6th July
Accepting cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden, Port Said & London		

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Outwards from UK	Due	For
"SUDAN"	17th March	Japan
Homewards	Sails	For
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	sails 11th Mar.	for Japan

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"OZARDA"	due 1st Mar.	from P. Gulf, Karachi, Bombay, Colombo & Singapore
"OLINDA"	sails 2nd Mar.	for Japan
	due 11th Mar.	from Japan for Singapore, Colombo, Bombay, Karachi, Chittagong, Haiphong & P. Gulf
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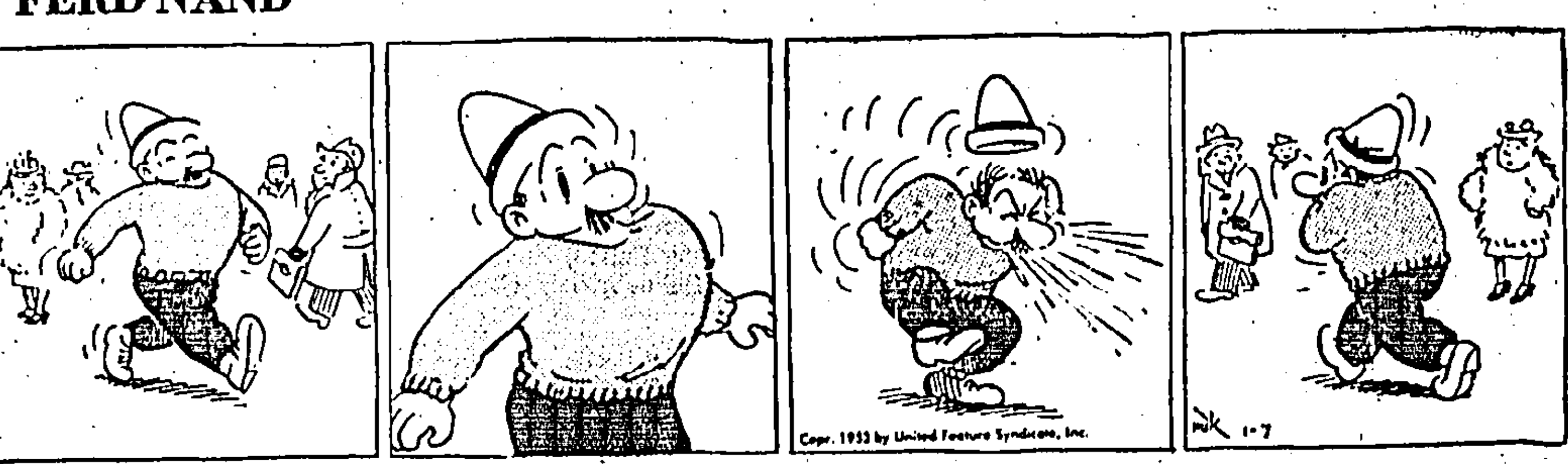
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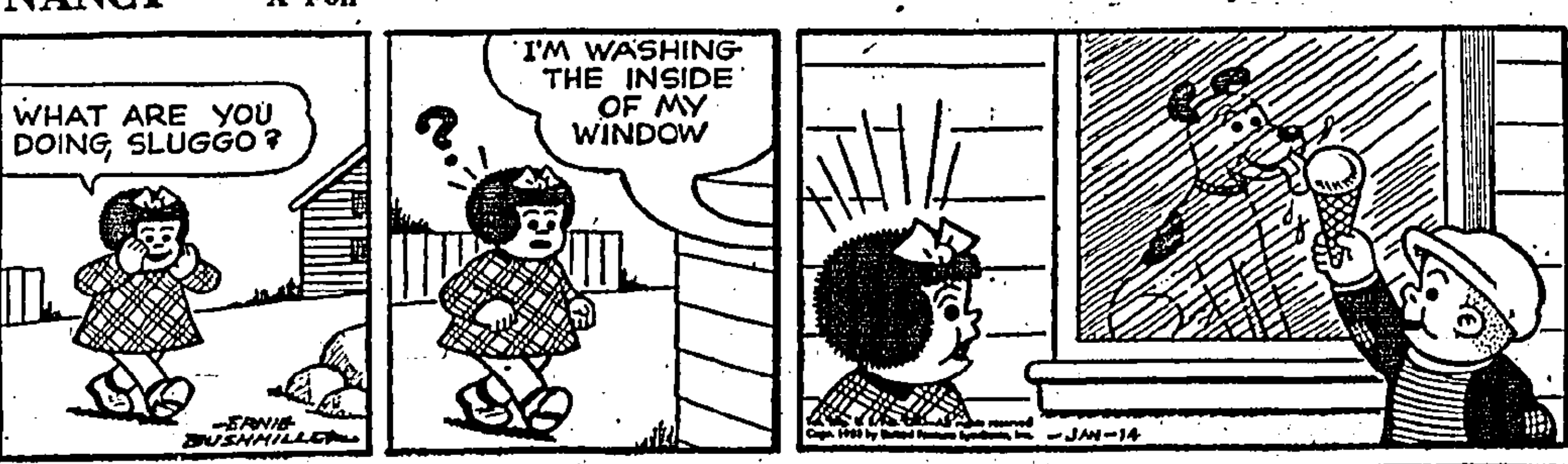
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